

## **Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 39**

### **RESOLUTION CHAPTER 40**

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 39—Relative to Deputy Dennis “Skip” Sullivan Memorial Bridge.

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#### **LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST**

ACR 39, Nielsen. Deputy Dennis “Skip” Sullivan Memorial Bridge.

This measure would designate the Bear Creek Bridge in Shasta County the Deputy Dennis “Skip” Sullivan Memorial Bridge.

WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Dennis “Skip” Sullivan, of the Shasta County Sheriff’s Office, was killed in a traffic collision on Highway 44, on October 10, 1987, while on his way to negotiate with a reportedly armed woman barricaded in a Mountain Gate home. Deputy Sullivan had been performing duties as a dedicated member of the Sheriff’s Office Hostage Negotiation Team for four years; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sullivan served 11 years with the South San Francisco Police Department, where as a sergeant he supervised the operations division and the community relations and crime prevention programs. Deputy Sullivan continued to exemplify professional commitment and leadership during his assignment by designing and implementing the South San Francisco Police Department’s field training program; and

WHEREAS, Continuing his tradition of honorable and faithful service in law enforcement, in 1981, Deputy Sullivan joined the Shasta County Sheriff’s Office. He served first as a resident deputy sheriff in the Shingletown area of Shasta County and then as a patrol deputy sheriff at the Palo Cedro substation; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sullivan, who was 41 years of age when he died, was survived by a son and two daughters. Deputy Sullivan was an avid fisherman and hunter who loved the Shasta County area and the people; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sullivan was killed when his vehicle collided with a semitruck on Highway 44 east of Shingletown. As Deputy Sullivan was responding to the report of shots fired, heading west near Inwood Road, the trailer of an eastbound truck tipped over onto his small pickup. Witnesses report that Deputy Sullivan tried to avoid the trailer by moving to the extreme right of the road. The impact of the collision sheared off the top of the pickup and forced the pickup off the highway onto the north side of Highway 44; and

WHEREAS, Bear Creek Bridge in Shasta County is located on the portion of Highway 44 between post mile R14.445 (facing westbound) and post mile R14.489 (facing eastbound); now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring,* That Bear Creek Bridge in Shasta County be officially named the Deputy Dennis “Skip” Sullivan Memorial Bridge; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, showing this special designation, and upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those plaques and markers; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the Director of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.